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Docket No. LINDE-566

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Jorg DIETRICH  
SERIAL NO: 09/851,432  
FILING DATE: May 9, 2001  
FOR: PLATE HEAT EXCHANGER

GAU: 3743  
EXAMINER: Tho V. Duong



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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Applicant(s) is/are entitled to small entity status.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

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Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection of July 16, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

**The paragraph bridging pages 4 and 5 has been amended as follows:**

A frame 5 is welded to header 3, and the thus prepared header is then welded gastight to intake opening 2. In order to be gastight, the intake opening 2 of the housing 1 has a selected area, and the header 2 has a corresponding outlet area with the frame 5 forming an intermediate piece disposed therebetween also enclosing the corresponding